The responses to bidders' inquiries are provided for the bidders' convenience only. In some instances, the question and answer may represent a summary of the matters discussed rather than a word-for-word recitation. The responses may be considered along with all other information furnished to prospective bidders for the purpose of bidding on the project. The availability or use of information provided in the responses to contractors' inquiries is not to be construed in any way as a waiver of the provisions of Section 2-1.03 of the Standard Specifications or any other provision of the contract, the plans, Standard Specifications or Special Provisions, nor to excuse the contractor from full compliance with those contract requirements. Bidders are cautioned that subsequent responses or contract addenda may affect or vary a response previously given. Inquiries along with responses may be posted at the website only when the inquiries are submitted in any of the acceptable manner prescribed under the Notice to the Contractors and when the responses have already been communicated to the individual inquirers. Bidders' inquiries received over the phone must be followed-up and submitted in writing for an official response.

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08-0C1214					
Inquiry No.	Inquiry/Response				
1.0	Question_1: When will the Cross Sections for this project be available?				
	Response: The Cross Sections for this Project are now available. If interested, please contact the following numbers to arrange for getting a copy. (909) 829-3328/3329				
2.0	Question_2: The cold plane asphalt engineers quantity seems incorrect. Possibly the engineer used incorrect lane widths or doubled up the milling of the rumble strip in the median. Please take a closer look and provide feedback/updated summary of quantities.				
	Response: Please bid as per current contract documents. Quantities are correct.				
3.0	Question_3: In section 10-1.35 there is a requirement for both TSR (CT371) and CT360. CT 360 has in the past been used only in areas of snow chain use which have not used a PG 70 -10 binder as required for this project. Equipment to run CT 360 is not available and there are limited test labs available to do this testing. Will CT 360 requirement be removed?				
	Response: An Addendum will be forthcoming to address this issue. Revise Response: Please refer to Addendum # 3 issued September 07, 2012.				
4.0	Question_4: Item 35, Item Code 203027, Erosion Control (Bonded Fiber Matrix): Can BFM be tank mixed per specified fiber and tackifier at the specified rate or has to be pre packaged as BFM?				

	Response: The BFM can be tank mixed per specified fiber and tackifier at the specified rate.					
5.0	Question_5: Is this a buy America Act project?					
	Response: The buy America Act is referenced in the Amendments to the Standard Specifications dated May 2006 on pages 47 of 290 and 48 of 290.					
6.0	Question 6: According to Section 10-1.41, paragraph 1, "General, Summary", Type C HMA is to be constructed using the QC/QA Process. Compaction testing for the QC/QA Process is covered under Section 39, 39-4.05, "Engineer's Acceptance", and involves a different sampling format and statistical analysis of the results using the HMA Pay program. The QC/QA Process is inconsistent with the tables on page 99-100. Please advise if the Section 39 QC/QA specifications take precedence over the Reduced Payment Factor Tables.					
	Response: Within the 08-0C1214 Contract in the Amendments to the Standard Specifications dated May 2006 on page 25 of 290 under 5-1.04 CONTRACT					
	COMPONENTS it states:					
	"If a discrepamcy exists: 1. The governing ranking of contract parts in descending order is:					
	1.1 Special provisions					
	1.2 Project Plans					
	1.3 Revised Standard Plans					
	1.4 Standard Plans					
	 1.5 Amendments to the Standard Specifications 1.6 Standard Specifications 					
	1.7 Supplemental project information"					
C 1	Revised Response: Addendum will be forthcoming to address this issue.					
6.1	Question_6.1: In response to your answer of bidder inquiry #6. If the compaction table on page 99 supersedes the QC/QA Process specifications, does it follow that compaction results will not be a part of the HMA Pay program and will not be factored into the Composite Quality Factor, nor will compaction figure into Lot Acceptance or be used to determine positive payment adjustment (Bonus)?					
	Response: An Addendum will be forthcoming to address this issue.					
7.0	Question_7: How do we interpret ((ENGMET)) when it's placed next to a bid item for this project?					
	Response: The unit used for this project is the English unit.					
8.0	Question_8: line item 3 and 45 - Metal post are listed in the details as 4' and 5', standard specification 80-3.01A calls for post no less than 7'. Please clarify and if shorter post are used, does the weight per foot still have to meet standard specification?					
	Response: Pending					
9.0	Question 9: Was the Bid Opening Date for this Project postponed?					
	Response: Yes. Addendum #4 that was issued on 09/12/12 postponed the Bid Opening Date for this project to September 20, 2012.					